

MEETING TITLE:	Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC) Quarterly Meeting
DATE:	October 13, 2005
Attendees:	
Janna Bardi	DOH (Department of Health) Immunization Program Manager
David Bibus	Public Health Seattle & County (PHSKC)
Maureen Brown	Washington Chapter, American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
Carolyn Coyne	Washington State Health & Recovery Services Administration
Jay Fathi	Washington Chapter, AAFP
Maxine Hayes	DOH State Health Officer
Patty Hayes	DOH Assistant Secretary, Community and Family Health
Jan Hicks-Thomson	DOH Immunization Program
Jo Hofmann	DOH State Epidemiologist
Lisa Jackson	Group Health Cooperative
Neil Kaneshiro	Washington Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
Donna Larsen	Snohomish Health District
Ed Marcuse	Seattle Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center
Zachary Miller	VAC Consultant, Group Health Cooperative
Carlos Quintanilla	DOH Immunization Program
Ed Steinweg	VAC Consultant, Olympia Pediatrics
Greg Stern	Health Officer, Whatcom County Health and Human Services Department
Lin Watson	DOH Immunization Program
Donna Zimburean	Washington Chapter Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
Recorder:	
Claire Norby	DOH Immunization Program

Agenda Items	Discussion/Recommendations	Decisions Made/Follow-Up Completed
<p>I. Welcome and Introductions, Changes to Agenda</p> <p>Maxine Hayes</p>	<p>Dr. Maxine Hayes welcomed meeting attendees and visitors.</p> <p>Visitors included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Larry Barge, GlaxoSmithKline ▪ Marcie Cleaver, Merck Vaccines ▪ Juli Coburn, Wyeth Vaccines ▪ Adrienne Conlin, sanofi pasteur ▪ Steven Frawley, sanofi pasteur ▪ Cindy Smith, Tacoma/Pierce County Health Department ▪ Cynthia Shurtleff, Immunization Action Coalition of Washington ▪ Brenda Taylor, GlaxoSmithKline ▪ Gina Winnett, GlaxoSmith Kline ▪ Susan Carmichael, Multi Care ▪ Donna Sharpe, Multi Care ▪ Paul Nielsen, MedImmune ▪ Rachel Knowton, Sanofi Pasteur ▪ Sofia Aragon, DOH ▪ Allen Christie, GlaxoSmithKline ▪ George Tanbara, Pediatrics Northwest 	
<p>II. Conflict of Interest Policy</p> <p>Patty Hayes</p>	<p>Assistant Secretary of Health Patty Hayes read the Conflict of Interest policy. Lisa Jackson noted that she receives research funding from vaccine manufacturers.</p> <p>Handouts: Washington State VAC Conflict of Interest Policy (1/24/02)</p>	

<p>III. Committee Membership</p> <p>Maxine Hayes</p>	<p>Washington State Health Officer Maxine Hayes reported that there were several VAC members who had served two three-year terms, the limit agreed upon by the VAC at the January 1999 meeting. She expressed her appreciation for the willingness of VAC members to serve longer than that.</p> <p>David Bibus, of Public Health Seattle and King County (PHSKC), expressed their wish to continue to serve on the VAC. Part of the reason for this is the need for local health level communicable disease epidemiology representation and that PHSKC serves approximately 30% of the state's population.</p> <p>Dr. Hayes also noted that an organization could choose to retain a member on the VAC after completion of two three-year terms.</p> <p>Greg Stern proposed that the current policy on term limits be rescinded and that the policy on term limits be reviewed and revised. Neil Kaneshiro seconded the proposal. Ed Marcuse suggested "suspend" rather "rescind." The Committee's discussion included the possibility of staggering terms and making terms five years with an option to repeat.</p>	<p><i>DOH sent a membership matrix for VAC review through the listserv following the meeting. The issue will be an agenda item for the January 12, 2006 VAC meeting.</i></p>
<p>IV. Washington Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (WCAAP) Vaccine Summit Report</p> <p>Neil Kaneshiro</p>	<p>Neil Kaneshiro reported that the WCAAP will host a Vaccine Summit on December 20 from 9 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. at the Alki Conference Center. The primary goal is access to all recommended vaccines for all children. The objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the value of the universal vaccine distribution policy as it relates to child health. • Explore the relationship between private health care and public health as it relates to immunizations. • Explore the relationships between vaccine recommendations and universal purchase. <p>Consider the individual versus societal benefits of immunization.</p>	
<p>V. Immunization Workgroup</p> <p>Maxine Hayes</p>	<p>The purpose of the Immunization Workgroup is to develop criteria to determine the public health benefit of vaccines, including new and</p>	

	<p>future vaccines. Membership includes representatives from local public health, schools, health plans, child advocacy, community and migrant health centers, state Medicaid, communicable disease epidemiology, and vaccine manufacturers. There will be three meetings between October and January. It was suggested that it might be beneficial to have some representation from people who are outside of the health community, i.e., unions and parents.</p>	
<p>VI. Adult/Adolescent tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis (Tdap) Jo Hofmann Janna Bardi</p>	<p>Jo Hofmann, State Epidemiologist, presented on pertussis disease in Washington State:</p> <p>Janna Bardi, Immunization Program Manager, directed VAC members to a review of the matrix describing the adolescent tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis (Tdap) vaccine and associated costs.</p> <p>Maxine Hayes asked VAC members for a preliminary recommendation as part of the process for adapting the vaccine into the menu of those supplied by DOH. She said that the VAC could revisit the recommendation at a later date.</p> <p>It was moved that the VAC accept ACIP's Tdap recommendation for use in Washington State. The Committee passed the motion unanimously.</p> <p>Handouts: Washington State Vaccine Advisory Committee Tdap Vaccine Recommendation Discussion 10/13/05 Pertussis Update Notes, October 2005, by Jo Hofmann, State Epidemiologist</p>	
<p>VII. Updates: Janna Bardi</p>	<p>The following information was provided in addition to the information included in the Immunization Program Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chiron released three lots of influenza vaccine. • DOH has received more influenza vaccine than indicated in the handout. • Jan Hicks-Thomson reported that almost all LHJs have received an influenza vaccine shipment this week. 	

	<p>Shipments will continue into November.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providers needing more vaccine should contact their LHJ. • DOH has negotiated with Safeway to use the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry. Safeway provides influenza vaccine to ages 14 years and above. • DOH is in the process of contracting with Oregon to share registry data. • DOH was able query the Louisiana registry system for information on children displaced by Hurricane Katrina, because the Louisiana uses the same type of registry system as CHILD Profile. • There is a confirmed influenza case in a Washington resident who traveled to Oregon. • There has been some confusion about tiering influenza vaccine administration and the October 24th start date. • DOH continues to receive calls about thimerosal in vaccines. Dr. Hayes asked VAC members to keep her informed about community perception of the issue. <p>Ed Marcuse asked DOH for a comparison of immunization rates to exemption rates. It was suggested that CHILD Profile Immunization Registry data be studied.</p> <p>Handouts: Immunization Program Updates, 10/13/05</p>	<p><i>Janna Bardi will discuss the issue with Riley Peters.</i></p>
<p>VIII. Visitors – Open Microphone</p> <p>Maxine Hayes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steven Frawley, Sanofi Pasteur: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Menactra (MCV4) vaccine supply is evening; 2.5 million doses have been distributed. - There have been five cases of Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS) in MCV4 vaccinees reported to Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is no association between the vaccine and GBS and further investigation continues. - ACIP and CDC continue to recommend MCV4 vaccination. The VIS form, dated 10/7/05, has been updated and is available on the DOH website. · Cindy Smith said that Tacoma/Pierce County Health Department will conduct community education efforts on Tdap. They are working with their school nurses to “vaccinate before you graduate.” She said that it would be helpful to private providers to have vaccine distribution information available to enable them to order vaccine in a timely manner. · Steven Frawley said that there are problems with sharing that proprietary information. · MedImmune did supply information last year. 	
	Next VAC meeting: January 12, 2006 at the SeaTac Marriott Hotel	